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Party bylaw no magic bullet

Town and gown committee. Fixing student-conduct issue much tougher than relying on single law, most members say



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Breaking up parties may help, but it isn't the answer to preventing problems in student neighbourhoods, members of a city committee said Tuesday.

Addressing housing issues and promoting positive interaction with Fanshawe College and Western University students must be part of the plan, several said.

"You can't put 200 homes with 1,000 students side by side and consider that a community when (the residents) turn

over every year," said John B. Young, a member of the town and gown committee. "You can't consider that proper student housing. (The students) aren't mature enough to realize their responsibility. We have a responsibility, as a city, to recognize that."

The comments came as the committee weighed in on a proposed bylaw that would give police authority to disperse private-property parties if they become a nuisance. It was first

pitched in 2008 and revived in the wake of the March 17 riot on Fleming Drive, a student neighbourhood near Fanshawe.

Emily Maroccia, director of marketing and communications for the college, said the school supports the bylaw, but as one aspect of a multifaceted approach. "We do believe that is just first step," she said. "It's a community issue."

The public-safety committee will discuss the bylaw again on May 10. City-planners are ex-

pected to bring bylaw amendments regarding housing in near-campus neighbourhoods to councillors in June.

Meanwhile, the town and gown committee meets again on June 27 to discuss ways of welcoming students to the city. "We need to be doing more than (saying), 'Here's a ticket, welcome to London,'" said Patrick Searle, vice-president of university affairs for the University Students' Council at Western.

Town and gown

- The committee of 11, which consists of city councillors, students and residents who live near Western and Fanshawe College, meets quarterly to talk about community issues involving the schools.



CRUNCH TIME

Sidney Crosby, right, and James Neal of the Pittsburgh Penguins listen as a drill is explained during a practice in Pittsburgh on Tuesday. The Penguins face the Philadelphia Flyers in Game 4 of their first-round Stanley Cup playoffs series in Philadelphia on Wednesday. The Flyers lead the best-of-seven series 3-0. More coverage, page 19. GENE J. PUSKAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sears retools store policies

In his new job as CEO of the struggling retail giant, London native Calvin McDonald promises easier returns and other carrots to lure customers back

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Actor Victor Garber returns to the Forest City for a fundraising benefit close to his heart.

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Pounding the pavement

Fundraising.

Springbank Gardens plays host to weekend walk-a-thons



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Walkers will lace up their sneakers this weekend for fundraisers to help in the fight against health problems.

The Brain Tumour Foundation of Canada has planned a Spring Sprint on Saturday, and the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada will have its annual walk Sunday.

Both step off from Springbank Gardens (285 Wonderland Rd. S.) at 10 a.m.

The brain tumour foundation has set its sites high this year, aiming to raise \$1.6 million through 20 spring fundraisers across Canada. London's event is the kickoff — part of the organization's 30th anniversary celebration.

The foundation was formed in 1982 by Londoner Steve Northey with help from the husband and wife medical team of Dr. Rolando Del Maestro, a neurosurgeon, and Pam Del Maestro, a neuroscience nurse.

Northey got the ball rolling

To learn more

- Brain Tumour Foundation Spring Sprint: braintumour.ca
- MS Walk: mssociety.ca/mswalk

when his eight-year-old daughter, Kelly, died seven months after doctors discovered a tumour on her brain. Since then, more than \$3 million has been raised for brain-tumour research.

Andrew Kaszowski, 30, of London, will be among those trekking through Springbank on Saturday. He'll use the walk as a tribute to a member of his rowing club who died last year from a brain tumour.

"I started to hear more and more about this person or (that) person (who) has a brain tumour. I started to add it all up and it was like 15 people (I knew)," Kaszowski said about what prompted his interest in the foundation three years ago.

The walk is a way of joining patients "in spirit (and acknowledging) what they're going through."

The MS Society's local walk is one of nearly 50 planned Sunday in cities across Ontario.

The nonprofit has set a goal



Katrina Hass, of the Brain Tumour Foundation and Andrew Kaszowski, 30, are pictured after the foundation's 2011 sprint. BRAIN TUMOUR FOUNDATION OF CANADA

of raising a combined \$5.5 million through this year's events. The money, used for programs and services to help people living with multiple sclerosis, will come as a welcome boost

to the agency's budget, said Jamie-Lynn Huitema, manager of fundraising events.

Revenue is down about 25 per cent compared to this time last year.

Crime statistics

Hate crime numbers not what they seem: Police

Hate crimes in London jumped by 32.6 percent in 2010 according to Statistics Canada, but London police say the numbers shouldn't be taken at face value.

In 2010, London police say they investigated 35 hate crimes. They also note, several of those incidents could be attributed to one person.

"We had 10 incidences of graffiti, all within the same area, all believed to be the same individual responsible for that particular thing," Const. Dennis Rivest said. "This therefore brings those numbers down."

The majority of hate crimes were non-violent, with numerous reports of graffiti, and eight incidences of assault.

Nationally the number of hate crimes dropped from 2009, but provincially, Ontario had the highest number of hate crimes, with 740 reported cases.

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Giving new meaning to summer help

Hey students: Like the idea of raking in some bucks during summer vacation?

The London Small Business Centre might have the means to that end — and you won't even need to comb through piles of help wanted ads.

Instead, you could become your own boss through the Summer Company program, an Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation initiative operated annually

by the business centre.

The program offers students 15 to 29 a maximum \$3,000 to start and operate a business while classes are on hiatus. This year, 13 spots are available in London, and people have until May 7 to submit an application with a business plan.

John Anagnostou, program co-ordinator with the small business centre, is encouraging people to act fast.

"What happens is stu-

dents often wait for the last minute and that's when it's too late," he said. "We're asking people to take one hour out of their day" to beat rush.

Demand is expected to be high for the available dollars. Last year, the program helped 21 students start businesses — a select few chosen from more than 50 submitted business plans.

Business proposals can stem from anything the

piques someone's interest or fits well with skills they've picked up over the years.

One of the biggest local success stories is that of Western student Jeff Cartwright who made \$75,000 a couple of summers ago repairing walkways and driveways made of brick.

"Often times our students ... not only will employ themselves, but some of them are successful to the point where they em-

To get involved

For Summer Company program requirements and application information, visit sbcentre.ca.

ploy friends," Anagnostou said. "Once they've created this business ... they will come back to it summer after summer while they're in university or college."

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Senior convicted of gun smuggling

A 75-year-old St. Thomas man has been convicted of smuggling guns into Canada at the Windsor border. John Thomas was charged with numerous counts after four handguns were found in his trailer in 2009.

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Broadcast across China

London surgeons share expertise

Live on screen, London urologists shared their expertise across China recently and gained knowledge of surgeries rarely seen in North America. John Denstedt and Stephen Pautler delivered lectures and live surgeries at a forum in Chengdu. **METRO**

Album released Feb. 7

Van Halen coming to JLC

Van Halen has included the Forest City on its tour as the rock band promotes its first album in 14 years, A Different Kind of Truth.

Van Halen will play the JLC on Saturday, July 21. Tickets will go on sale Friday at 10 a.m. **AM980/AM980.CA**



Eddie Van Halen

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Schools for LD students

Demonstration schools rally today

Parents of children at London's Amethyst Demonstration School have organized an information rally Wednesday to inform the public about the purpose of the schools, which the Drummond Report recommended for shutdown. **METRO**

Driver of car named

OPP ID victim of 401 crash

OPP have identified the victim of a fatal collision on the 401 Monday morning involving a tractor-trailer and a car.

The victim has been identified as Jennifer Mott, 47, of Chatham-Kent. **AM980/AM980.CA**

Versatility key to long career in Hollywood: Garber

The Meal fundraiser.

Local actor Victor Garber is back in town this weekend in support of diabetes research



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"Typecasting" is often perceived as a dirty word in show business.

For actors, it can be a crux, a label that tends to sets limits on your potential. Think Dustin Diamond and his role as Screech on Saved by the Bell.

London native Victor Garber, perhaps best known for his role as shipmaker Thomas Andrews in recently re-released Titanic (1997), realized early on that an actor's ability to brush off typecasting is crucial to achieving longevity in Hollywood. "Being an actor is all about being able to play different roles," the 63-year-old said. "I kept the wheels spinning from the start, and no one could really typecast me."

With a heralded singing voice in his back pocket, Garber has linked together quite the acting career. Among others, he has films such as Sleepless in Seattle, Milk and Kung Fu Panda 2, as well as television series like Alias, Law & Order

Garber's hometown visit

- Attending VIP tour of Banting House (Saturday)
- Hosting The Meal fundraiser (Sunday, 5 p.m., at Hilton London. For more information, call 519-432-8327)

and Glee, on his resume.

Since April 14 marked the 100th anniversary of the Titanic's sinking, Garber has naturally had the James Cameron-directed film on his mind more often. "It's a phenomenon and I'm very proud I was a part of the portrayal," said the six-time Emmy Awards nominee.

Garber left London at 16, but nearly a half-century later still feels a "very strong" connection to the Forest City.

The son of popular local singer-actress Hope, former host of At Home With Hope Garber, is in town this weekend and will attend a pair of events based around something very close to his heart.

"I think it's important for people to know how serious diabetes is," said the Type 1 diabetic himself. "For kids, it's devastating and dramatic. I was diagnosed at 12, and I want to provide a face for the disease that says you can survive and thrive."



Averie Belle Clements, born March 9, cuddles up to a pair of UFC gloves. Father Chris "The Menace" Clements makes his UFC debut Saturday at UFC 145 in Atlanta. VDK PHOTOGRAPHY/HO/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Clements savours fatherhood, preps for UFC debut

Chris "The Menace" Clements captured two big developments in his life in one photo a few weeks ago.

He tweeted a photo of a tiny, adorable Averie Belle Clements, born March 9, as she curled contentedly around a pair of UFC gloves.

"Motivating Daddy for #ufc145," the veteran welterweight tweeted.

Life has changed forever on the family front, with his first child.

And the 36-year-old from London has a chance to finally step into the Octagon

on Saturday night when he makes his UFC debut against Keith Wisniewski (28-12-1).

Clements (10-4) may be one of the few fighters who did not mind that UFC 145, originally slated for March 24 in Montreal, was pushed back to April 21 in Atlanta.

The Montreal date was too close for comfort to the baby's due date. But while the postponement took care of that, Clements wasn't sure what it meant for him.

"I'd been trying to get into the UFC for so long. I wasn't sure if they were just filling a

Adrenaline rush

- Chris Clements joins fellow Adrenaline fighter Mark Hominick on the Atlanta card.

spot for the Canadian card," he said.

"Once I found out that my fight was being moved to Atlanta with the card, then I was pretty happy — that would give me more time to spend with my daughter before the fight."

Clements credits wife Karissa for helping look after the baby while he was off training.

Clements got into MMA 10 years ago and started martial arts (taekwondo) 20 years ago when he was 16.

Now, he is a full-time fighter and a trainer at the Adrenaline Training Center in London, home to UFC veterans Sam "Hands of Stone" Stout and Mark "The Machine" Hominick and former WEC fighter Chris "The Polish Hammer" Horodecki.

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“ I HAVE A LIST OF WHAT I WANT IN A CAR.

Tori Stafford. Trial hears Rafferty had ties to area where girl was killed

The trial of a man accused of killing Victoria Stafford has heard that a route he frequently travelled with an ex-girlfriend took him within a couple of minutes of where the eight-year-old girl was killed.

Tori was killed on April 8, 2009, but her remains went undiscovered for months under rocks in a corner of a remote farmer's field southeast of Mount Forest, Ont.

The area is more than 100 kilometres from where the Grade 3 student was abducted outside her school in Woodstock, Ont.

Michael Rafferty, 31, has pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder, sexual assault causing bodily harm and kidnapping.

His trial is hearing that at various points in his life Rafferty lived, worked and went to school in the Mount Forest area.

Ex-girlfriend Jennifer Etsell testified that when she dated Rafferty for several months in



Michael Rafferty
THE CANADIAN PRESS/FILE

2006 she would pick him up in Guelph, where he was living, and drive him to visit her in Hanover on the weekends, taking a route that passed through Mount Forest.

Rafferty told her his licence was suspended at the time, Etsell said, and that's why she picked him up. Under cross-examination she agreed her route stayed on Highway 6 and did not venture onto the rural back roads in the area.

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The trial of Michael Rafferty heard he was familiar with areas near where the eight-year-old was killed, including working at a landfill site a few side roads away. THE CANADIAN PRESS/HANDOUT



Copper collection now a permanent fixture

Fanshawe College instructor and Londoner Paul Dreossi, 36, puts the finishing touches on Centennial Hall's (550 Wellington St.) newest permanent art display Tuesday afternoon. Mobiles, which was created by Dreossi's second-year sculpting class, is a collection of 22 copper pieces connected by steel welding rods. A reception officially introducing the project to the public is planned for Thursday at 5:30 p.m. at Centennial Hall. JOHN MATISZ/METRO

Job market may see greener pastures

London. Labour council sees conference as starting point for green jobs' initiative



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Everyone's heard about white-collar and blue-collar jobs.

Now, the London and District Labour Council wants to add a new colour to the local jobs lexicon: green.

Creating a working group to do just that is the driving force behind a Saturday event dubbed Good Green Jobs Conference 2012.

"There's a huge [unemployment] problem in the area, and we want to ... promote green jobs and attract them to the region," said organizer Jim Mahon, chair of the labour council's environment committee.

The conference — featuring a series of workshops designed to start a movement — hopes to build on the success of other

regional labour councils. A similar conference in Toronto several years ago saw a group formed to identify available property and market it toward enviro-friendly employers, like wind-energy and solar companies, Mahon said.

He would like to see a similar effort in London, working in partnership with the London Economic Development Corp., city officials and other interested parties.

Despite criticism from some camps that the Liberal government isn't moving fast enough on the job creation promised as part of the Green Energy Act, Mahon remains optimistic that green jobs will account for a huge chunk of

Event details

Good Green Jobs 2012 costs \$35 and includes lunch.

- Some scholarships are available, and registration should be completed by Friday. Visit ldlc.on.ca for details.

the province's future economy.

The Forest City, he said, has one of the biggest selling points for attracting those employers: a skilled manufacturing workforce ready to spring into action.

"I believe London has huge potential."

20 minutes to make a difference

What began as a modest initiative has grown 50-fold — and it's not over just yet.

In 1996, the annual 20-minute London Makeover event played the dual role of providing a corporate bonding opportunity as well as a spruce-up to the environment.

In its 17th year, it will function similarly as a staple of the 12 Days of Cleaning project headed by the London Clean & Green program.

Beautifying one's business property has caught on over time, as organizers expect a record number of participants out

and about on Friday.

Essentially, the Clean & Green team is asking businesses to take 20 minutes out of their workday to take care of business outside the office. Picking up litter, doing a clean sweep of the driveway and washing the exterior of the building are just a few ways of contributing to the citywide initiative.

There is no registration necessary.

A new incentive, in the form of two pizza lunches from Joe Kool's restaurant (valued at \$100 each), hopes to boost numbers.

"We just want to expand the 20-minute event as much as we can. We always want to reach more people," said Carmela Ianni, public relations coordinator for Amway Canada Corp., which is a member of Clean & Green's organizing committee. "The contest is another way to make the Clean & Green umbrella more visible."

To enter the contest, organizers ask parties to submit a photo of their clean team in action to cleangreen@london.ca or post to their Facebook page, "London Clean Green."

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ABUSEMENT PARK	10	6	3	0	0	29	20	13	WOLFPACK	10	5	5	0	0	28	27	10		
SHOCKERS	8	2	5	0	0	15	26	5	BALLWHACKERS	9	4	4	0	0	19	30	9		
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MARAUDERS	8	2	6	0	0	21	30	4	BALL PUCKERS	5	0	3	0	0	6	9	3		
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YOUTH STARS OF THE WEEK

★ **ESTON SMITH** - CANUCKS
6 goals, 1 assist

★ **CODY CUNDER** - THRASHERS
3 goals, 2 assists (Hat Trick)

★ **NATHAN BALCOM** - WHALERS
3 goals, 2 assists

MEN'S STARS OF THE WEEK

★ **CAM MCKICHAN** - ABUSEMENT PARK
3 goals, 1 assist (Hat Trick)

★ **MIKE BRAY** - REBELS
3 goals, 1 assist (Hat Trick)

★ **JUSTIN BLANCHE** - MISFITS
2 goals, 2 assists

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Smokes. Loophole found in ban on candy-flavoured cigarettes: NDP

The Ontario government is being urged to implement yet another ban on candy-flavoured tobacco products after the industry found a loophole in the current law.

New Democrat France Gelinas says a 2010 ban on cigarillos with flavours like chocolate and cherry hadn't even taken effect when the industry found a way around the law.

Companies simply added more tobacco and removed the filter to skirt the law, so Gelinas is introducing another bill to ban all candy-flavoured tobacco products, including new lozenges and sticks.

She says they smell so good and look so much like candy they appeal to everyone, especially young people.

Gelinas says even the packaging is designed to appeal to kids and she suspects parents would never take them for tobacco products when spotted in their



France Gelinas. COURTESY ONTARIO NDP

kids' backpacks.

The Heart and Stroke Foundation says there's no doubt the tobacco industry is targeting the next generation of smokers with the flavoured products.

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Brothels. Premier Dad red-faced over idea of bunnies moving in

Nevada's famously friendly bunnies aren't welcome in Premier Dad's Ontario.

Premier Dalton McGuinty seemed a bit confused this morning when asked about the Moonlite Bunny Ranch eyeing Toronto for a new brothel.

He asked the reporter to explain what a Bunny Ranch was. Informed that it was a

Nevada brothel, a red-faced McGuinty laughed nervously and looked for a way out.

He responded: "We're not going there. Next question."

The brothel, which is the subject of the television series "Cathouse," is considering Toronto after the courts struck down Canada's bawdy-house laws.

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Deadline looms, but budget no closer to being passed

Budget battle.

McGuinty says the chances of an election being triggered by the budget are remote

The chances of Ontario voters returning to the polls for the second time in six months are slight, even though the minority Liberals have yet to strike a budget deal with the NDP to avert another election, Premier Dalton McGuinty said Tuesday.

"There's a possibility that both parties — both opposition parties — decide that their first choice is an unnecessary, expensive election to be held within six months from the time we had the last one," he said during a campaign-style stop at the Toronto office of eReader maker Kobo.

"I think it's a remote possibility. We'll do everything we can to ensure that that does not unfold, but it is there nevertheless."

The Opposition Conservatives have already said they'll vote against the budget, so McGuinty must woo the New Democrats for his government to survive.

The premier said he's still optimistic that he'll reach a budget deal with the NDP to avoid defeat on April 24, when the budget motion will be put to a vote in the legislature.

Despite his conciliatory tone, the Liberals and New Democrats seem intent on pushing each other's buttons over the budget.

One of the New Democrats' key demands is to hike taxes for the wealthy by introducing a two percent-age point surtax on incomes over \$500,000.

That puts McGuinty in a tight spot, because he's repeatedly promised not to raise taxes to eliminate the deficit,

Strategy:

If a budget deal isn't reached this week, the NDP could buy more time by supporting the budget or abstaining from the April 24 vote. That would allow them to put off their final decision until a second confidence vote on the budget legislation is called.

despite doing so after the Liberals were elected in 2003.

The NDP claim the tax hike will bring in enough money to offset raising welfare rates, saving daycare spaces and putting more cash into community and home care. But the Liberals insist the NDP's demands — which also include removing the provincial portion of the HST from home heating bills — is too expensive for a province that must slay a \$15.2-billion deficit by 2017.

The NDP are indicating they're prepared to "give a little" on their demands, McGuinty said, but he added he needs to know where they stand on a wage freeze for workers in the broader public sector.

"We cannot possibly balance this budget unless we hit the pause button when it comes to public sector pay," he said, adding the freeze will save \$6 billion over three years.

"And I have yet to hear in a definitive way from the NDP where they stand on this issue. We just can't get there unless we freeze that pay."

The Liberals warned in the March budget that they're prepared to legislate the freeze if all other options fail, but the threat isn't in the actual budget bill because it doesn't require a legislative change.

The wage freeze is a sensitive issue for the left-leaning New Democrats, with some supporters demanding that



Finance Minister Dwight Duncan, left, and Premier Dalton McGuinty arrive before the reading of the 2012 Ontario budget in the legislature on March 27.

CARLOS OSORIO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

the union-backed party call McGuinty's bluff and vote against the budget if he doesn't withdraw the threat.

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath said she's made it clear for a long time that a wage freeze can only be found at

the bargaining table, and McGuinty knows it.

The Liberals' hardball approach with unions has already raised the ire of teachers and doctors, who have taken their fight public.

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Construction magnate's arrest may spark bombshells in Quebec

Province jolted.

Reclusive Tony Accurso is arrested with 13 others in a case with far-reaching political effects

A prominent Quebec construction magnate whose cosy ties to politicians and links to business figures have triggered allegations of scandal is facing six fraud-related charges in a case that could have far-reaching political repercussions.

Tony Accurso was among 14 people arrested by the anti-corruption unit of the Quebec provincial police in raids Tuesday.

The arrests could lead to an in-depth look into the murky world of contract bidding at the municipal and provincial levels.

Accurso, a major player in the Quebec construction industry, has seen his name sur-



Quebec construction magnate Tony Accurso is surrounded by media as he leaves a police facility in Montreal Tuesday. PAUL CHAISSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

face in alleged construction scandals that have rocked the province for years, involving municipal and provincial politicians and union bosses.

But the reclusive business-

man had never been charged with anything — until being swept up in an alleged bribery scandal in Mascouche, a small town in Montreal's posh northern suburbs.

Police say Accurso and others were involved in kickbacks and bribes exchanged for favourable contracts or privileged information key to the bidding process.

Authorities say the practice has been going on for several years.

Accurso faces six charges: fraud, conspiracy, influence-peddling, breach of trust and

two counts of defrauding the government.

The 18-month investigation culminated in a total of 47 charges.

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The fallout

The criminal charges could have an influence that goes far beyond the courtroom.

- **THE PROBE.** Premier Jean Charest has called an inquiry into widespread allegations of corruption involving the Quebec construction industry and its ties to political parties and the awarding of public contracts.
- **THE ELECTION.** It's unclear what impact the arrests will have on the timing of a provincial election. Charest may be tempted to go to the polls in the spring before proceedings start.



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Tories' plan is praised and panned

Environment. Major overhaul of rules will create jobs, say feds. Nonsense, says NDP — the big companies will be winners

A major overhaul of environmental assessment rules for big projects will create jobs and growth, the federal government announced Tuesday.

The Tory announcement sparked resource industry praise and fierce criticism from environmental groups.

First signalled in last month's budget, the government said proposed new rules would encourage investment by avoiding wasteful duplication and setting strict time limits for project reviews.

"We intend to focus federal assessment efforts on major projects that can have significant environmental effects, such as energy and mining projects," Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver said.

"Streamlining the review process ... will attract significant investment dollars and give every region of our coun-

End of an era?

"This is really a weakening of key environmental protection measures that have been in place for decades. It's meant to pave the way for Big Oil to get what it wants."

Gillian McEachern,
with Environmental Defence.

try a tremendous economic boost."

The plan calls for three organizations — the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, the National Energy Board and the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission — to conduct reviews, down from 40 government departments that can currently be involved.

But Opposition New Democrats and environmental groups accused the Conservative government of ramming through legislation that would "rubber-stamp" assessments to the benefit of large corporations.

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O Canada ... we're oh, so proud of you

That tiny Maple Leaf flag on a child's cheek says it all. Five-year-old Andromeda Bromwich on Tuesday shows that even youngsters like to show off their pride in Canada. Andromeda and Liberal interim leader Bob Rae are pictured as they took part in a dance to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms in downtown Ottawa. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Internet. Mom, dad are Facebook snoops: survey

More than 50 per cent of the Canadian parents surveyed for a study on online safety admitted they secretly access their teenager's Facebook account.

According to a survey conducted in 11 countries by security company AVG, the global average of snooping parents was 44 per cent.

Still, Canadian parents were less likely to spy on their teens than those in the U.S. and Spain, where 61 per cent admitted to monitoring Facebook covertly.

When accounting for the results from all countries, mothers were more likely than fathers to do the cyberstalking.

About 49 per cent of the

moms admitted to doing so, compared to 39 per cent of dads.

Canadian parents were second most likely to be Facebook friends with their teens.

About 66 per cent said their kids had accepted their friend request, compared to 72 per cent in the U.S., and just 32 per cent in France and 10 per cent in Japan.

When it came to worries about online behaviour, about 38 per cent of Canadian parents said they worried their teen's actions on social networks could affect their future job, school or dating prospects, compared to 40 per cent in the U.S. and 42 per cent globally.

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Smoking. Tory cuts boost Big Tobacco, activists say

National health groups are condemning the Harper government for cuts to a federal non-smoking program.

Melodie Tilson, from the Non-Smokers Rights Association, says the cuts give tobacco companies the upper hand in influencing future health policy decisions.

"Why would the Harper government gut a program that saves the lives of Canadians, saves government money and safeguards the health and well-being of our youth?" Tilson asked.

The federal budget cut \$15 million — more than 30 per cent — from the Federal Tobacco Control Strategy, which has reduced the number of smokers across Canada.

The winner?

"Consider who wins by this decision. The only winner — and they are big winners — is Big Tobacco."

Melodie Tilson,
Non-Smokers Rights Association.

But Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq listed several government anti-smoking initiatives, including warning labels on cigarette packaging, a national hotline for people who want to quit smoking and a ban on small, flavoured cigarettes targeted at youth.

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Natural Resources Minister Joe Oliver takes a question during a Toronto-area news conference Tuesday. CHRIS YOUNG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Suspensions still abound in Egypt's deadly soccer riot

Top cops among those charged. 75 fans killed in February melee; victims mostly fans of Cairo's Al-Ahly team; most defendants fans of Port Said team

Fans charged in Egypt's deadliest soccer riot declared their innocence in the first session of their trial Tuesday. And they directed their anger toward police, charged with collaborating in the killing of 75 supporters of a rival team.

Nine senior officers, including six police generals and a colonel, are among the 73 people charged in the case. The officers were present in the courtroom, dressed in traditional white defendant uniforms, but they were not held in the



A defendant facing charges relating to soccer deaths reacts at trial. HOSSAM ALI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

courtroom cage with the rest of those on trial.

If the police are convicted, it would further fuel widespread speculation that the country's much-despised Interior Ministry force allowed the bloody February 2012 at-

tack on fans of a soccer club with which they have a long antagonistic history.

Most of the defendants are fans of Al-Masry, the main sports club in the Mediterranean city of Port Said, where the attack took place.

The majority of the victims were fans of a rival team, Cairo's Al-Ahly, whose supporters are credited with playing a major role in the 18-day popular uprising that toppled longtime President Hosni Mubarak last year.

Survivors of the attack charge that police allowed the attack by Al-Masry fans to deteriorate into bloodshed.

Others have suggested that former regime loyalists hired thugs to kill Al-Ahly fans. "Where is Mubarak?" the defendants chanted, reflecting their suspicion of the ousted regime.

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North Korea celebrates

A family poses for a picture in front of portraits of the late leaders Kim Il Sung and Kim Jong-il at a festival for the "Kimilsungia" flower to mark 100 years since the birth of North Korea's late founder in Pyongyang, North Korea, Tuesday. VINCENT YU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Chile
Harper, wife awakened by major quake
Prime Minister Harper and his wife Laureen were awakened by a major earthquake as they over-nighted in the Chilean capital.
Buildings shook throughout the city at around 12:50 a.m. Tuesday in a 6.7 magnitude earthquake centred 112 kilometres from Santiago.
"The prime minister and his wife were at the hotel when the earthquake happened," said Harper's spokesperson. No Canadians were injured.
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Near Aspen
Cows take shelter and freeze
It may take explosives to dislodge a group of cows that wandered into an old ranger cabin high in the Rocky Mountains, then died and froze solid. They were discovered in March.
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Sharability



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Jordan promises 'fair trial'. Britain may soon be able to deport radical

A radical Islamist cleric fighting deportation from Britain to Jordan was again behind bars Tuesday, and the U.K. said it hoped to finally expel the preacher after a decade of legal wrangling.

Home Secretary Theresa May said new assurances from Jordan to offer a fair trial to Abu Qatada, a Palestinian-Jordanian preacher described in Spanish and British courts as a leading al-Qaida figure in Europe, should allow the saga to end.

Authorities in Britain have been trying to expel the preacher since 2001, but after a lengthy legal battle the European Court of Human Rights ruled in January that Abu Qatada could not be deported to Jordan because of a risk that evidence obtained through torture would be used against him there.

Abu Qatada has previously been convicted in absentia in Jordan of terrorist offences related to two alleged bomb plots in 1999 and 2000, and he will face a retrial if deported from Britain.

The preacher was arrested on Tuesday by U.K. Border Agency officers and denied bail at a hearing at the Special Immigration Appeals Commission — a court that handles deportation and national security cases.

He had been freed in Feb-



Abu Qatada is driven away after being refused bail on Tuesday.

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ruary following the European court's ruling, albeit on strict bail conditions.

Following two visits by British ministers to Jordan and telephone talks between Prime Minister David Cameron and Jordan's King Abdullah II, Britain had secured a series of pledges to address the European court's concerns, May said.

May said that Jordan had vowed that no information gleaned through torture would be used in the cleric's case and had changed its constitution to bar the use of such evidence.

Britain first attempted to deport Abu Qatada in 2001.

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Romania

Public funds used to finance a book featuring fascist leader

A Holocaust research centre in Romania says public funds were used to finance a children's poetry book that features on its cover Romania's Second World war fascist leader.

The National Institute for the Study of the Holocaust in Romania blasted a local council for helping publish the book by George Ungureanu, 100, a former member of pro-Hitler group active in Romania during the war.

The book has Corneliu Zelea Codreanu, founder of the fascist Iron Guard legion, on its cover.

Guard members gained notoriety for vicious anti-Semitism. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Shooter gives speech to courtroom in Oslo

Day 2 of Norway's mass killer trial.

Anti-Muslim fanatic insists on finishing his whole diatribe, or not speaking at all

In a scene unimaginable in many countries, Norway's worst mass killer since the Second World War gets to explain his fanatical views to the court and the world for days dressed up in a business suit.

Two days into Anders Behring Breivik's terror trial, the studied formality with which Norway's legal system deals with a confessed killer who rejects its authority is baffling to outsiders, even to some Norwegians.

On Monday, the day the trial started, Norwegian prosecutors and even lawyers representing the families of his 77 victims shook Breivik's hand as proceedings began.

On Tuesday, the 33-year-old far-right militant was allowed to give an hour-long address to the court, reading from a statement that summarized the anti-Islamic manifesto that he posted online before his bomb-and-shooting rampage nine months ago.

"The attacks on July 22 were a preventive strike. I acted in self-defence on behalf of my people, my city, my country," Breivik declared.

He was demanding to be found innocent of terror and murder charges. He set off a bomb outside the government headquarters in Oslo, killing eight, then drove to Utøya island outside the capital and massacred 69 people in a shooting spree at



Defendant Anders Behring Breivik discusses a matter with his lawyer. LISE ASERUD/SCANPIX NORWAY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Accused gives speech

"What I see happening in Norway with Breivik's statement is a trial about politics, not legal evidence,"

Jeff Kass, a reporter who wrote a book about the 1999 Columbine school shooting in the United States.

the governing Labor Party's youth summer camp on the island.

It was the most "spectacular" attack by a nationalist militant since the Second

World War, he boasted.

The court's main judge interrupted Breivik several times Tuesday, asking him to get to the point, but let him continue after he threatened

that he would either finish his speech or not speak at all.

"It is critically important that I can explain the reason and the motive" for the massacre, said Breivik.

Breivik, who has admitted the attacks, said it doesn't matter if he's sent to prison, because living in a country ruled by "multiculturalists" was a prison in itself. The main point of his defence is to avoid an insanity ruling.

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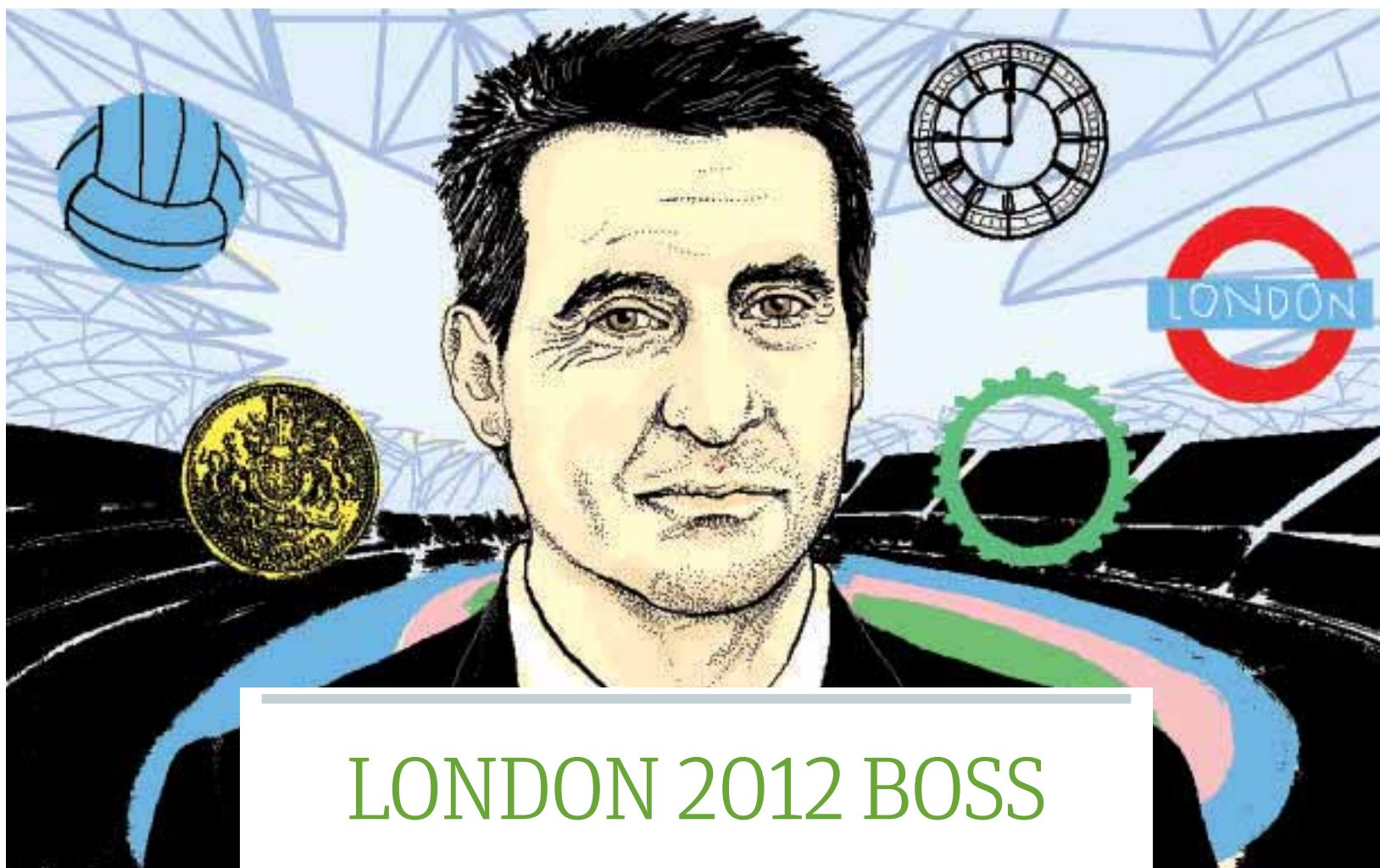
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LONDON 2012 BOSS SEBASTIAN COE



**ELISABETH
BRAW**
Metro World News

"100 meters will go a lot faster." As King of Middle Distance, Sebastian Coe won two Olympic gold medals and set eleven world records. Then he became a politician, a Lord even. But everyone refers to Lord Coe as "Seb", and the energetic chairman of the London Olympics is indeed an approachable man, as he showed when he invited Metro to keep him company while he had a takeout salad for lunch.

What constitutes success for him in the 2012 Games: lots of world records? No terrorist attacks? Top-rate sustainability? You need Games that work in all those ways – sustainable, safe and secure. But, look: I'll always see the Games through the eyes of the competitor, and for me it's absolutely vital that I deliver something for the athletes that allows them to compete at the highest level at the defining moment in their life.

How are you doing it better than previous Olympic Games?

I don't compare London to previous Games. But I want to enshrine as many of the good aspects of the previous games as we can. One thing I've learned from is the way the athletes

were treated at the Games in Beijing — the organizers had a forensic eye for detail and an extremely high level of service. That's a very good template for us.

A major source of concern for potential Olympic spectators is overcrowding. Should people watch the Games on TV instead?

No! London knows how to deal with crowds. We have big global events all the time, often simultaneously. The Olympics will have a great atmosphere, and we'll create a transport plan that allows us to deal with the influx of people. I think people will come in bigger numbers than is currently being imagined. And that's what an Olympic city should strive for. London will keep benefitting from the Games for the next 50 years.

Beach volleyball next to Buckingham Palace: do such new sports really have athletic value, not just an aesthetic one?

They certainly have athletic value. Anyone who has played beach volleyball will tell you that you need extraordinary levels of agility, stamina, flexibility and speed. There's no doubting the athletic values of beach volleyball. But what it actually does is attract a wider audience, particularly among younger people. So, it's very good that new sports like beach volleyball bring young people into the sport movement.

So are new, untraditional sports what the Olympic movement needs?

The Olympic movement has always moved with the time. It was only in 1984 that women first ran the marathon. Triathlon is a relatively new sport,

and organizers recognized that it was very popular and growing in size. And BMX-cycling is now an Olympic sport.

The king of any Summer Olympics is the men's 100 meter race. How much faster can they go?

Much, much faster! It's not within your imagination or mine that if we sit here in 40 years' time discussing this, we'll look back at what Usain Bolt is now doing and smile. I've broken world records, my world records have been broken. The current world records can easily be broken. Usain Bolt can easily break the world 100 meters world record, and so can Yohan Blake and Tyson Gay.

Will it be possible to keep sports clean from doping? The honest answer is no. But we're winning the testing battles, and crucially, we're

winning the battle for hearts and minds. It's vitally important to explain to young people that doping is completely unnecessary! I broke world records and won Olympic Games without taking performance-enhancing drugs. Secondly, doping is dangerous. There are long-term health effects. Thirdly, it's cheating. We're winning the battle, but it will always be a battle.

Do you ever watch the 1500 race and get the urge to jump in and be part of the action once again?

No! Every time I think it might be palatable or attractive to participate as a competitor again, I just open a day in any of my training diaries. Then I know exactly why I'm here, not out in a running track. But when I attend sports events, I love sitting with the coaches and athletes.

Lasting rewards

"You find out more about yourself through sports than through anything else. You learn to win and lose with dignity and magnanimity. You make friendships that last a lifetime, friendships based on true values."

LORD SEBASTIAN COE

Snapshot

Here are some fast facts on Sebastian Coe.

- Age. 55
- In the news. Chair of the London Olympic Games Organizing Committee
- Career. Middle-distance runner; two Olympic gold medals, 11 world records. MP; appointed Lord in 2000.

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Secret Service probe to begin

Scandal. U.S. Secret Service and military are being investigated for soliciting prostitutes

Fallout from a Secret Service prostitution scandal ricocheted around the nation's capital Tuesday, with congressional and military investigators digging into the situation more deeply and the White House facing questions about the competency of the agency

designed to protect President Barack Obama's life.

At least 20 women were involved in last weekend's incident with Secret Service agents, U.S. military personnel and prostitutes at a Colombian hotel just before Obama arrived for a regional summit, a senator briefed on the situation said. The agency has referred the matter to an independent government investigator, according to a second senator.

The scandal has become a widening embarrassment for

the Obama administration and the fresh flurry of activity squashed White House hopes that the matter could be left behind in Colombia once Air Force One was wheels up.

The focus fell Tuesday on Secret Service director Mark Sullivan, who shuttled between meetings at the Congress outlining what his investigators in Washington and in Colombia have found about the incident.

Lawmakers peppered Sullivan with questions, chief among them: who were the

Conflicting accounts

"Some are admitting (the women) were prostitutes; others are saying they're not."

Peter King, Republican Representative

women the agents allegedly had in their rooms, and did the women have access to sensitive information that could have jeopardized the president's security.

At the White House, Obama was asked at the conclusion of a Rose Garden event whether he believed Sullivan should

resign. The president ignored the shouted inquiries; his spokesman later said Obama had confidence in Sullivan.

"Director Sullivan acted quickly in response to this incident and is overseeing an investigation as we speak into the matter," White House press secretary Jay Carney said.

On Thursday, 11 Secret Service agents were recalled to the U.S. from Colombia and placed on administrative leave after a night of partying that allegedly ended with at least some bringing prostitutes back to their hotel. On Monday, the agency announced that it also had revoked their security clearances.

At least 10 U.S. military personnel staying at the same hotel also were being investigated for their role in the alleged misconduct.

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Dog days. Mitt Romney criticized for strapping pet dog to car's roof

The sorry tale of Seamus, the Irish setter who spent 12 stressful hours atop Mitt Romney's station wagon on a road trip to Canada, is back in the spotlight after the Republican front-runner and his wife faced questions about the 1983 incident in a high-profile prime-time interview.

"The dog loved it," a laughing Ann Romney told ABC's Diane Sawyer in an interview earlier this week.

"He would see that crate and, you know, he would go crazy because he was going with us on vacation. It was to me a kinder thing to bring him along than to leave him in the kennel for two weeks."

Sawyer, however, questioned the extent of Seamus's enjoyment as he sat in a windy crate on the roof of the car for 12 hours. She pointed out the dog had experienced intestinal distress during the drive from Boston to the Lake Huron community of Grand Bend, where the Romney family still owns a cottage.

According to a 2007 Boston Globe profile of Mitt Romney, his disgusted boys alerted their father to the fact that Seamus

Criticism

Asked if he'd ever again transport a dog that way, Mitt Romney replied "Certainly not with the attention it's received," saying the story had been "the most wounding" to his campaign.

- That response prompted anger anew on various social media platforms. "Wrong reason," one Twitter user wrote.

- Dogs Against Romney's Scott Crider expressed dismay. "In other words, Mr. Romney still sees nothing wrong with what he did ... and the only reason he wouldn't do it again is to avoid personal political backlash," he said Tuesday.

was suffering from diarrhea as they made their way to the cottage.

Romney stopped at the next service station, hosed down the dog, the car and the carrier, returned Seamus to his stoop and continued to Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Dalai Lama alohas with canoe crew

In a photo provided by Pillars of Peace Hawaii, the Dalai Lama jokes with members of the crew of the Hawaiian voyaging canoe Hokulea following the Earth Blessing and Consecration of the canoe on Monday in Kaneohe, Hawaii. The Hokulea is being prepared for an around-the-world trip.

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Child arrest

Tantrums illegal?

Police in Georgia handcuffed a kindergartner with her arms behind her back after the girl threw a tantrum. The police chief defended the action as a safety measure.

The girl's family demanded that their central Georgia city change policy so that other children aren't treated the same way. They say the child was shaken up by the ordeal.

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Child pornography

Man faces more porn charges

A man charged in Indiana with coercing two teenage boys into making sexually explicit online videos, and who boasted to FBI agents that he had done this more than 100 times, now faces federal charges in Michigan for the same offence.

The U.S. attorney's office on Friday filed charges of production of child pornography and enticement against Richard Finkbiner, 39, who could face from 15 years to life in prison if convicted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Turbulent charge**Air Canada insulting democracy: Minister**

Air Canada is "insulting" elected officials and democracy by not respecting its legal obligations to maintain its aircraft in Montreal, Quebec's Justice Minister said Tuesday.

The Quebec government is seeking a court ruling on the airline's obligations to heavy

maintenance work that had been performed for the airline by Aveos Fleet Performance before it shut down and laid off all its employees.

Jean-Marc Fournier said Air Canada's unwillingness to maintain Aveos' operations runs against the spirit and letter of the law.

"It's an insult to democracy and its main participants, the elected officials," he told a news conference in Quebec City.

Aveos terminated about 2,600 jobs across the country, including some 1,800 in Montreal, when it suddenly obtained creditor protection and closed its operations last month.

Fournier said the province couldn't sit idly by and is asking Quebec Superior Court for a declaratory judgment following an unsatisfactory response from the Montreal-based airline.

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Biopsy warranted**Buffett diagnosed with cancer**

Warren Buffett told his company's shareholders in an open letter Tuesday that he has been diagnosed with early-stage prostate cancer.

The 81-year-old billionaire investor and CEO of Berkshire Hathaway Inc. said his condition is "not

remotely life-threatening" or debilitating. He said he and his doctors have decided on a two-month treatment plan that is to begin in mid-July. Buffett said he was diagnosed April 11 and has received tests including a CAT scan, a bone scan and an MRI. He is one of the world's richest men.

Buffett's stake in Berkshire Hathaway was worth more than \$43 billion as of December. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Single remote**IKEA launches TV**

IKEA has launched yet another product for your living room: the IKEA TV.

The new furniture range integrates an LED TV, a sound system with wireless bass speakers, an internet connection and CD, DVD and Blu-ray players — all in one piece. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Surprising signal sends loonie higher

Clear message.

Bank of Canada announcement to raise interest rates prompts rise in Canadian dollar

The Bank of Canada took markets by surprise Tuesday in sending a strong signal it is getting ready to raise interest rates based on improved prospects for the global and Canadian economies.

The hawkish statement sent the loonie immediately higher after the 9 a.m. ET release time, and it closed up 0.96 of a cent at 100.99 cents US.

As expected, the bank kept the trendsetting target rate at one per cent — where it has been since September 2010 — but it was the language in the accompanying statement that caught investors off guard.

Hawkish side

"This was ... a pretty serious amping up of the message ... And more surprising was the signal that rates will soon need to rise."

Douglas Porter, Bank of Montreal economist

"In light of the reduced slack in the economy and firmer underlying inflation, some modest withdrawal of the present considerable monetary policy stimulus may become appropriate, consistent with achieving the two per cent inflation target over the medium term," it said.

Bank of Montreal economist Douglas Porter said he was surprised bank governor Mark Carney would send such a clear intentions. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Economic forecast

The bank says the Canadian economy will likely expand by 2.4 per cent this year, and will return to full capacity in the first half of 2013, three-to-six months ahead of pace.

- Essentially. The bank is expecting growth to happen faster, but not necessary be any stronger overall than its previous forecast.



Oracle suits up to take on Google in court

Oracle CEO Larry Ellison, left, puts on his suit as he arrives for a court appearance at a federal building in San Francisco on Tuesday. Oracle intends to rely heavily on Google's own internal emails to prove Google's top executives knew they were stealing a popular piece of technology to build the Android software that now powers more than 300 million smartphones and tablet computers. PAUL SAKUMA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Rogers Video. Rentals out, liquidation underway

Rogers has officially bailed on the video store business.

In December, the company announced it was shuttering 40 per cent of its video shops. On Tuesday, Rogers confirmed

its more than 90 remaining video stores stopped renting movies and games late last week and are now in liquidation mode.

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Sears Canada to make it easier to return products



London, Ont., native Calvin McDonald, president and CEO of Sears Canada, addresses the Annual General Meeting for Sears Canada in Toronto, Tuesday. AARON VINCENT ELKAIM/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Returning products to Sears stores will get a lot easier starting next month, the company said Tuesday.

The national retailer will overhaul long-standing return policies that have sometimes left customers frustrated, new chief executive Calvin McDonald said Tuesday at the Sears Canada annual meeting.

Sears will scrap the 10-day return policies that have existed for years and it will also stop charging a 20 per cent restocking fee for big ticket items such as appliances, electronics and

outdoor power equipment, among others.

The changes are part of a major revamp of operations at Sears Canada, which has been struggling to overcome losses as well as find its strategy ahead of an onset of new competition from discount retailers like Walmart and Target.

"When we look at the market, times are tough. Consumer confidence is low and unemployment is not getting dramatically better," McDonald told shareholders. "There are a lot of reasons we can sit and point to how

and why it's tough to grow topline, but we don't look at those factors."

Instead, the company will focus on improving its product, store conditions and marketing, he said.

McDonald was brought on last summer to help reverse recent losses, and he immediately began an initiative to de-clutter the stores. Last month, the company said three high-profile department stores in Vancouver, Calgary and Ottawa would close by the end of October affecting some 670 jobs.

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Downsizing

While McDonald said there are no plans to close further locations, he outlined plenty of other drastic reductions at the company as part of a three-year plan aimed at transforming operations.

- Top of the list is a massive reduction in the number of brands it sells, down to 20 from a staggering 90 brands.

NATION'S SMARTEST IS A TIGER-CAT? WHO KNEW



JUST SAYIN'
Paul Sullivan
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Apparently, I'm not Canada's Smartest Person.

This will not come as a great surprise to a long-suffering cadre of readers, friends, enemies and loved ones, but

now it's confirmed:

Canada's Smartest Person is Peter Dyakowski, offensive lineman for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, who won the CBC-TV competition of the same name and is now enjoying his victory lap on the smart circuit.

For instance, next week, he appears at a Mensa Convention at the Marriott Gateway in Niagara Falls, where he will compete for gold in the Couch PotatOlympics and build a working model of a trebuchet.

For those of you who aren't so smart, that's a siege engine that fires stones at the ramparts.

Hmph.

I guess it will sound like sour grapes if I dare to ask why Canada's Smartest Person is wasting his time tinkering with trebuchets at a tourist trap instead of figuring out how to eliminate the deficit or cure cancer, but really.

And how did he get to be Canada's Smartest Person anyway? Did he threaten to bombard the CBC fortress on Front Street with rocks? Or does it have something to do with the fact that he is six-five and 325 pounds? He wants to be Canada's Smartest Person, let him be Canada's Smartest Person. Just don't make him mad.

Turns out he endured 17 hours of taping that tested multiple dimensions of intelligence: physical, musical, logical, linguistic, visual and interpersonal. As the program progressed, he was so far ahead of the competition with two science brainiacs and a "spoken word artist," that the host of show told him: "Peter, we don't care about your score anymore."

So, apart from the fact that Canada's Real Smartest Person is too busy to bother with a quiz show no matter how multi-dimensional, we have to concede that Peter won it fair and square and there was no penalty flag on the play (I keep mixing up my sports commentary and my egghead commentary. Excuse me. Not smart enough.)

Of course, this is a great victory for offensive lineman, who are usually lumped together and called "Grunts" or "Hogs." Now we have to call them "Smarter".

Of course, the real star of any show is not the offensive lineman or even the polymath. It's the quarterback, and will always be the quarterback.

And on the same day he signed a \$26-million contract with the Seattle Seahawks, Peter Dyakowski's college quarterback, Matt Flynn, texted Peter to say that being the smartest Canadian is like winning a foot race at a fat camp, which offends on so many levels, you'd have to be a genius to figure them all out.

Peter, by the way, won a plastic trophy. How smart is that?



Peter Dyakowski of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats was the winner of the CBC show Canada's Smartest Person. BARRY GRAY/HAMILTON SPECTATOR

Let the countdown begin



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London 2012

100 days to go until the Olympics

Young Chinese athletes practice Taekwondo techniques before the rehearsal ceremony to mark a 100-day countdown to London 2012 Olympic Games outside the Bird's Nest Tuesday, in Beijing, China.

As London organizers put the finishing touches on the venues, athletes around the world are training for the big moment.

With Wednesday marking the 100-day countdown to the London Olympics, it's time to take a look at some of the athletes who will stand out on the global stage this summer.

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Top 10

From the track to the pool to the hardwood, here's a list of 10 to watch (mindful that some still need to qualify):

Usain Bolt: His performance in Beijing four years ago was magical — gold medals and world records in the 100 metres, 200 metres and sprint relay.

Michael Phelps: After winning a record eight gold medals in Beijing, the 26-year-old American swimmer is back for his final big splash before retirement.

Oscar Pistorius: The South African double amputee, who runs on carbon-fiber blades, is looking to make history by becoming the first amputee runner to compete in an Olympics.

Hiroshi Hoketsu: At the age of 71, the Japanese equestrian rider will be the oldest competitor in London.

Kerri Walsh/Misty May-Treanor: No one will be more in the spotlight than Americans Walsh and May-Treanor, who won gold medals in Athens and Beijing in beach volleyball and are favourites for a third title in London.

Chris Hoy: Winner of three gold medals in Beijing, the British track cyclist is one of the host nation's top hopes for glory in the spectacular new velodrome.

Neymar: Argentina failed to qualify for the Olympic football competition, meaning Lionel Messi won't be coming. But Brazil did

qualify and Neymar is the player to watch.

Kevin Durant: It's hard to single out any single player from the star-studded U.S. basketball team. Kobe, LeBron and D-Wade are back from the group that won the 2008 gold medal.

Lin Dan: Widely considered the greatest badminton player of all time, China's 'Super Dan' is a four-time world champion, five-time All England winner and the reigning Olympic gold medalist.

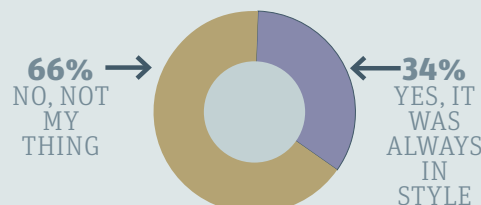
Katie Taylor: With women's boxing making its Olympic debut in London, the Irish fighter is a good bet for gold in the lightweight (60 kg) division.

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Scene in brief

Ferguson returning to his roots with Late Late Show

Craig Ferguson is going back to Scotland and taking Late Late Show viewers along for the trip. CBS says the Scotland-based episodes will air the week of May 14. While there, Ferguson explores Edinburgh and Glasgow. He also returns to his hometown of Cumbernauld, with stops at his childhood home and high school. On the trip, taped last month, he's joined by actors Mila Kunis, Michael Clarke Duncan and Rashida Jones, as well as author-humorist David Sedaris. Music will be performed by local Glasgow rock band The Imagineers. This marks the second international trip for the show. It went to Paris last year.

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Nicholas Sparks, the man behind The Notebook, is the writer of the new release The Lucky One. HANDOUT

Making silver screen Sparks

Nicholas Sparks. The man behind The Notebook and Dear John returns to the big screen with The Lucky One



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The word romance conjures up different ideas for different people.

Some folks, when they muse about love, create pictures of Fabio locked in an embrace with a raven-haired

beauty in their mind's eye. Others imagine John Cusack, boombox raised above his head, lurking outside his beloved's bedroom window.

When Nicholas Sparks thinks about amour, however, I imagine dollar signs come to mind.

He is the premier romance writer of his generation, single handedly giving Harlequin a run in the tear-jerker department. Who else could write a line like, "Love is like the wind, you can't see it but you can feel it," with a straight face?

The flowery pen behind novels and screenplays like The Notebook, Dear John and Nights in Rodanthe returns with this weekend's parcel

Romance writer

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of passion, The Lucky One, a story of good luck charms and true love.

He writes tales of love and loss, of mighty obstacles overcome and lip-locks galore, which he defines as "dramatic epic love stories" along the lines of "Eric Segal's Love Story or The Bridges of Madison County ... But you can even go all the way back. You had Hemingway write A

Farewell to Arms, the movies of the forties — Casablanca, From Here to Eternity — Shakespeare, and that's the genre I work in."

He caught some flack for comparing himself to Shakespeare — one writer said, "If Sparks is like Shakespeare, then a house painter is like Picasso." — but the fact remains that his unconventional love stories have made his name synonymous with the romance genre.

Sitting at the top of the list is The Notebook, which made stars of Rachel McAdams and Ryan Gosling. Marie Claire magazine says, "this movie is packed with heart-flutteringly incredible love scenes ... that it's impossible to choose

just one," but Noah and Allie's boat ride on the lake surrounded by swans is generally considered to be the most memorable moment in a movie that is essentially just one long love scene.

Peter Travers called Message in a Bottle "a hazard to all those allergic to ponderous chick flicks," but the movie features great romantic chemistry between Kevin Costner, Robin Wright Penn and a scene stealing performance from Paul Newman.

Even Miley Cyrus has been Sparksified. She chose the author to pen The Last Song, her fist post Hannah Montana movie, because she was a huge fan of his other weepie A Walk to Remember.

Music collaborations. The Big Pink still riding success of Nicki Minaj song

The Big Pink may be best known in America as the band who supplied the main sample for the Nicki Minaj song, Girls Fall Like Dominoes, but their new album, Future This, may be a chance for them to step outside the shadow of Pink Friday. The latest release from the British band, which is centered around singer and guitarist Robbie Furze and synth and beats programmer Milo Cordell, is full of the characteristic huge chorus hooks that made Minaj first take notice — and should soon make the rest of the world's ears perk up.

"I kind of love that pop

Music

"I think that's what we enjoy doing, writing hooks." Milo Cordell

that comes from all of the greatest bands — The Beatles or the Stones or The Beastie Boys or Nirvana," says Cordell. "I think that's what we enjoy doing, writing hooks."

But Cordell says that this preference for combining out-there sounds with catchy pop may have worked for those groups, but it's definitely not a fail-safe formula.

When the 2009 song Dominoes became last year's Girls

Fall Like Dominoes single, that was a great push to expose them to American audiences. The Nicki Minaj collaboration came about pretty easily.

"Dominoes had been around in England, and it was kind of a hit in England. It bubbled away everywhere, and we got an e-mail where our manager said to us, 'There's this guy, a producer called J.R. Rotem, who is writing a track for this female rapper and they're using 'Dominoes' as the main sample,' and we're like, 'Cool.' And we never really heard anything about it," Cordell laughed.

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A collaboration with Nicki Minaj has put The Big Pink on the map in North America. HANDOUT

On the web



Ben Flajnik, Courtney Robertson say they're still headed down the aisle, just not anytime soon



Ashton Kutcher

Kutcher and Kunis hooking up?

Former That 70s Show co-stars Ashton Kutcher and Mila Kunis are reportedly seeing each other — and trying to keep it quiet, according X17 Online.

Earlier this week, the pair were spotted shopping for furniture before grabbing dinner at a sushi res-

taurant and then heading back to Kutcher's home.

"Ashton was touching Mila's hand and Mila was all dressed up," a source says of the dinner. "She looked hot; this was definitely more than a dinner between friends — this was a full-on date."

Halle Berry is never, ever going to get married again ... starting now



Halle Berry

Halle Berry has confirmed that she is engaged to Olivier Martinez.

"Who knew? I swore it off, right?" Berry tells Extra. "Never say never, people."

But "never" is exactly what Berry said to Oprah Winfrey in 2004.

"I will never marry again. I mean it with every bone in my body." And three years later, she told InStyle magazine, "I will never, never get married again."

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Facing your fears through fist pumps



THE WORD

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Jersey Shore star Vinny Guadagnino is out to prove there's more to him than just being a sly guido who occasionally suffers from pink eye.

In his new book, *Control the Crazy: My Plan to Stop Stressing, Avoid Drama, and Maintain Inner Cool*, Guadagnino proves that he can not only pronounce such serious names as Deepak Chopra, Thich Nhat Hanh and Eckhart Tolle, but he also sees himself as an "ambassador" to their influential brand of pop psych for a younger generation.

"They are the masters. I certainly didn't invent this stuff, but it wasn't them inventing it either," he told Metro during a recent interview. "It's just a message that can be told

in many different voices — a Buddhist monk, a psychologist, a spiritual guru or now, you know, a cast member of the Jersey Shore."

For Guadagnino, who has suffered from various panic disorders since high school, and even during Season 1 of the show that made him famous, it was this anxiety that led him to start reading the self-help genre.

"I started to read these books and put together a program in my head for myself. That program is what I use a lot on four seasons of Jersey Shore, and it's gotten me through all of them."

Until last year, at least, when Guadagnino took a brief hiatus from Season 5.

"The last season got a little overbearing for me, because we had this stressful schedule where we had to come over and start a new season straight from Italy," he explains of his dramatic (yet brief) departure from the series.

"What happened on the show, it happened for me naturally. So I said, 'You know what? Now's the perfect opportunity to try to help people because they know I'm not bulls—ting. It's all real life.'"

Where will the wedding be?

Now that Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie's engagement is official, the big question is where the famous couple will tie the knot.

They own homes in Los Angeles, New Orleans and France — and their sprawl-

ing chateau there has recently been under construction, leading sources to speculate it will be the location for the big event, according to People magazine. And the country is close to Jolie's heart.

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African Queen sails again

The African Queen, the iconic original vessel from the classic film of the same name, is plying nearshore waters and canals in the Florida Keys again. Keys sailing charter operators Lance and Suzanne Holmquist inked an agreement with the 100-year-old boat's owner and invested some \$70,000 to restore the boat that carried Humphrey Bogart and Katharine Hepburn to movie history. The boat was originally brought to Key Largo in 1983 and restored then, but has languished as an out-of-the-water display for the past 11 years. Stephen Bogart, son of the film star, was present during a re-launch event Thursday for the vessel, registered as a national historic site. Next week, the Holmquists are to begin daily cruises for Keys visitors from the Holiday Inn Key Largo.
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On the web



Money talks in Olympic hotel search: London's top hotels poised to pamper wealthy guests



Animal Kingdom rides to victory at last year's Kentucky Derby. MICHAEL CONROY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Come for the Derby, but explore beyond the track

Louisville. While the city is best known for a horse race, there's also baseball bats and boxers to be had

Shadowbox with a silhouetted Muhammad Ali. Grab a bat and take a few swings in a batting cage at the Louisville Slugger Museum. Dig into a Hot Brown at the place where the savory sandwich was created.

Louisville is home to plenty of originals that liven up a visit to Kentucky's largest city, best known for a two-minute sporting event.

It's the iconic horse track that overshadows everything in town on the first Saturday in May. That's when the Kentucky Derby is run at Churchill Downs — where mint juleps flow, women sport flowery hats and sleek thoroughbreds race for immortality.

But visitors don't have to be horse racing buffs to enjoy the charms of this city along the Ohio River.

The spring greenery is always dazzling in the Bluegrass state. While in Louisville, visitors can stroll along Waterfront Park — the city's 85-acre front yard. The expansive playground near downtown offers panoramic views of downtown and the Ohio River.

"This time of year, Louisvilians get so happy," said local restaurateur Lynn Winter. "It's like everyone comes out."

Not far from the park, several museums are clustered within four blocks in the city's downtown, which features an array of restaurants and shops. Among the most popular destinations are the Muhammad Ali Center and the Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory.

The Ali Center showcases the boxing career of the former world heavyweight champion known as "the Louisville Lip," and highlights his social activism and humanitarian causes out of the ring.

Ali, who turned 70 in January, grew up in the West End neighbourhood of Louisville.

A short walk away, visitors can see workers crafting bats used by big leaguers. The



The Louisville Slugger museum
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Louisville Slugger Museum & Factory is a treasure trove of memorabilia that features bats used by Babe Ruth, Hank Aaron, Ted Williams and other Hall of Famers. Visitors can pick a bat, wood or aluminum, and take a crack in the batting cages.

"We have little kids and big kids alike," said employee Tony Fowler.

The springtime pace in town can seem as fast as on the track at Churchill Downs. The big horse race may only last two minutes, but the pre-race celebration lasts weeks during the Kentucky Derby Festival.

Leading up to the Derby, the city celebrates with a giant fireworks show, a parade, a steamboat race and a balloon race — among the highlights of a festival that also features athletic events, music and food.

Restaurants and watering holes are abundant in town, an hour's drive or so from distilleries producing world-famous bourbons.

At the Brown Hotel, one of the city's landmark places to stay, visitors can dig into a Hot Brown. A local favourite, it's an open-faced turkey and bacon sandwich covered with Mornay sauce (a creamy cheese sauce).

But Louisville's most enduring landmark is still Churchill Downs, situated south of downtown. The spring racing meet begins April 28, a week

If you go...

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before the Run for the Roses.

Visitors can watch Derby contenders go through workouts in preparation for the big race, but it requires an early wake-up call.

Churchill's Dawn at the Downs offer runs from Tuesday to Thursday of Derby week, May 1st to 3rd this year, and includes a sumptuous Kentucky-style breakfast buffet from 7 to 8:30 a.m. in a dining space overlooking the finish line.

Carolyn Hayden of Louisville brought her extended family from California to tour the track. "On a pretty day it's great to be outside at the track," she said.

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Give new life to old favourites by discovering their fruitier side

Add a new twist to a family favourite with the addition of canned California cling peaches.

These delicious California Dreamin' Chicken Tacos are topped with Peach Slaw. Adding peaches boost your daily fruit servings, creating a healthier meal.

1. In a bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, yogurt, lime juice, garlic, salt and cayenne. Drain peaches well and chop. Place in a large bowl; add slaw, coriander and half the mayonnaise mixture. Stir to combine.

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup (60 mL) light mayo
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) plain yogurt
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) lime juice
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/2 tsp (2 mL) salt
- Pinch cayenne pepper
- 1 can (14 oz/398 mL) peach halves, in light syrup
- 2 cups (500 mL) packaged coleslaw or broccoli slaw mix

2. Sprinkle the chicken with TexMex seasoning. In a large non-stick skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat and cook chicken, stirring for about 10 minutes or until no longer pink inside.

3. Warm shells. Add chicken and drizzle with some of the remaining mayo mixture and hot sauce (if using). Top with slaw. **NEWS CANADA/ CALCLINGPEACH.CA/ THIS RECIPE WAS ADAPTED FOR METRO ENGLISH CANADA BY EMILY RICHARDS. EMILY IS A PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA**

- 1/4 cup (60 mL) chopped fresh coriander
- 4 skinless boneless chicken cutlets, thinly sliced
- 2 tsp (10 mL) TexMex seasoning
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) canola oil
- 8 large taco shells or small flour tortillas
- Hot sauce (optional)

California Dreamin' Chicken Tacos with Peach Slaw



This recipe serves eight people. NEWS CANADA

Drink of the Week

Basil Mango Lime Smoothie with Chai

1. In bowl, combine chia seeds, water and lime juice. Set aside for 1 hour to let seeds plump and become gelatinous. In blender, combine soaked chia seeds (with liquid), honey, lime zest, basil, mango and yogurt. Blend until smooth.

- 1 tbsp chai seeds
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 tbsp lime juice
- 2 tbsp honey
- Finely chopped zest of 1/2 lemon
- 4 fresh basil leaves
- 10-oz package frozen mango chunks, thawed
- 2 cups fat-free vanilla yogurt



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Apple & Cheddar Pizza for lunch or appy

Frozen puff pastry makes this elegant crowd pleaser as easy as (pizza) pie! You'll love the flavour complements of sweet Ontario apples, mellow caramelized onions, tangy aged cheddar and fresh thyme. Cut into small squares for an appetizer, or serve with a crisp green salad for a light lunch.

1. Melt butter in heavy skillet over medium-high heat. Cook onions, stirring occasionally, for 15 minutes or until caramelized and softened. Stir in apple wedges and cook 5 minutes or until apples are firm and a light golden colour. Add vinegar, salt and pepper. Let cool slightly.

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp (30 mL) butter
- 2 onions, sliced into 1/4 inch (6mm) rounds
- 2 Ontario apples, cored and sliced into wedges
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) cider vinegar
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) each salt and pepper
- Half a pkg. frozen butter puff pastry sheets (1 sheet), thawed
- 1/2 cup (125 mL) shredded aged white cheddar cheese
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) chopped fresh thyme leaves



This recipe serves four to six. NEWS CANADA

2. Preheat oven to 400 F (200 C). Roll puff pastry into a flat 10-inch (25 cm) square. Cut a 1/2-inch (1 cm) strip from each side. Brush the edges of the remaining pastry square with water and arrange strips on top, trimming, to form a border (or pizza crust) on all four sides. Using fork, prick bottom of pastry all over. Arrange onion and apple mixture inside border. Sprinkle with cheddar and thyme.

3. Bake in the centre of preheated oven for 20 to 25 minutes or until pastry is puffed and golden and cheddar is melted and bubbly. Let cool 5 minutes before slicing into squares. Serve warm or at room temperature. **NEWS CANADA/ ONAPPLES.COM/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA**

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searching for a job was very grounded in the physical world: going to specific organizations, bringing in printed-off resumés and begging human resources for applications that could easily be recycled as soon as they had been filled out.

Now things have shifted to the web, that elusive, beckoning system of interconnectedness and global reach.

Here are some benefits and

drawbacks of hunting electronically for a tangible target.

Establishing the hunting grounds

Jobs can now be found globally or locally, which means that the job opportunities available to you are only limited to how far you're willing to relocate.

Looking up a Japanese CEO who has the same obsession as

sending in resumés, meaning you must be at the top of your game – or have something that others don't.

Hunting equipment

The downside to the online job search is that your resumé is expected to be a work of graphic artistry.

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Blackhawks

Rookie Shaw gets three-game ban from Shanahan

Andrew Shaw chose the wrong time to run afoul of NHL rules.

The Chicago Blackhawks rookie was suspended three games Tuesday — possibly the rest of the season — after hitting Phoenix Coyotes goaltender Mike Smith in Game 2 of their series on Saturday night.

With the NHL under fire following a number of incidents in the opening week of the playoffs, disciplinarian Brendan Shanahan sent a strong message to Shaw. The length of his ban matched the three games given to New York's Carl Hagelin, another rookie, following his elbow to the head of Daniel Alfredsson.

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Andrew Shaw GETTY IMAGES

NCAA basketball

Kentucky's starting 5 declare for NBA draft

Kentucky's starting lineup of three freshmen and two sophomores did everything together en route to the school's eighth national title. Now, they will each go their separate ways in the NBA. Freshmen Anthony Davis, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist and Marquis Teague, and sophomores Terrence Jones and Doron Lamb declared for the draft in a news conference televised around the U.S. Tuesday night. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Angry Crosby not bothering Flyers

NHL. Penguins star lost his cool in Game 3; Face elimination tonight

Sidney Crosby got too caught up in his hatred for the Philadelphia Flyers to recall that one of his best friends wears the orange and black.

No worries, though. Max Talbot isn't going to delete Crosby's number from his cellphone.

"He's definitely a great friend," Talbot said Tuesday. "He was heated up in the moment and that's OK. It's not like I'm not going to talk to him after the series."

Crosby and the rest of the Pittsburgh Penguins lost their cool in a fight-filled 8-4 loss to the Flyers that put them on the brink of getting swept out of their first-round playoff series.

The Flyers can eliminate the heavily favoured Penguins and advance to the Eastern Conference semifinals with a win in Game 4 Wednesday night at the Wells Fargo Center. Whatever happens, it'll be hard to live up to Game 3.

People are still talking about one of the most thrilling NHL games in recent memory. Fists flew faster than pucks, and goals were scored at a ridiculous pace. Crosby, the often-concussed former MVP, was at the centre of it all. He instigated several scrums, and even dropped the gloves in a rare superstar versus superstar fight against Claude Giroux.

Afterward, Crosby said: "I don't like any guy on their team."

That's news to Talbot, who was Crosby's teammate for six seasons in Pittsburgh before signing a free-agent deal with the Flyers last summer. Talbot



Max Talbot, left, checks Sidney Crosby in Game 3 of the Eastern Conference quarter-finals Sunday in Philadelphia. Talbot says he and Crosby are "great friends." **BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES**

Quoted

"I think we're trying to do whatever we can to win hockey games. We've just got to win one game. That's really what it comes down to."

Penguins forward Sidney Crosby

scored both of the Penguins' goals in a Stanley Cup clinching victory over Detroit in Game 7 in 2009. The two players are close friends, and they even appeared together in a Reebok commercial at Crosby's parents' house in Nova Scotia.

Asked if he was surprised by Crosby's antics in Game 3, Tal-

bot replied: "Yes and no."

Crosby twice jabbed goalie Ilya Bryzgalov's glove against the ice after the whistle, and then poked aside Jakub Voracek's glove when he bent down to pick it up. Crosby then went after mild-mannered Kimmo Timonen, setting off his "wrestling match" with Giroux.

"I see Sid as such a great competitor," Talbot said. "When things don't go his way, he tries to do other things."

The Flyers are fine with whatever Crosby tries.

"He's one of the best players in the league. It's good that he's frustrated. He doesn't focus as much on his game," Voracek said.

Crosby will certainly get more than an earful from the boisterous Flyers fans. Many are calling him a "cry baby" and some plan to bring diapers to the rink, if they're allowed to sneak those past security.

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Hunter says Bruins targeting Backstrom's head



Washington Capitals coach Dale Hunter behind the bench against the Buffalo Sabres in March. **ROB CARR/GETTY IMAGES**

Leave the euphemisms about playing with an "edge" or "emotion" to Boston Bruins coach Claude Julien and his players.

There are other ways to describe the shift in tenor of the reigning Stanley Cup champions' first-round playoff series against the Washington Capitals: more hits, more scrums, more penalties, more sticks in opponents' faces.

Capitals coach Dale Hunter went so far as to say Tuesday that the Bruins have been going after the head of centre Nicklas Backstrom, who returned to Washington's lineup March 31 after missing half the regular season because of a concussion.

"It is crossing the line," the former London Knights coach said. "To grab his head all the time is not the right way to play."

Asked Tuesday, an off day in the series, whether he thinks the Bruins are targeting Backstrom's head, Hunter replied: "Oh, yeah."

"If you noticed it, every scum, Nicky comes out with no helmet on."

Hunter expects the NHL to overturn the match penalty Backstrom got for putting his stick in the face of Rich Peverley at the end of Boston's 4-3 victory in Game 3 on Monday. Hunter said Backstrom "was

Backstrom discipline

- Boston leads the best-of-seven series 2-1 heading into Thursday's Game 4 at Washington.
- Backstrom had a hearing with the Department of Player Safety on Tuesday afternoon. He is suspended for Game 4, pending a review.

trying to protect his face," because Peverley had his stick raised.

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SPORTS

Quoted

"Obviously talking about some issues is not my business. My business is to talk about baseball. ... I learned a very tough lesson. You learn from mistakes. I hope this mistake makes me a better person."

Miami Marlins coach Ozzie Guillen speaking to the media Tuesday following a five-game suspension imposed by his team after he praised Fidel Castro. No demonstrations were evident at the ballpark Tuesday, and there was no reaction when Guillen took his seat at the dugout railing just before the game.

"Obviously people are still a little bit upset. I don't blame them a bit, but I feel a lot of people supporting me."

Ozzie Guillen

On the web



The Bobcats have been NBA playoff afterthoughts all season, but with six games remaining there is still something worth fighting for in Charlotte. The Bobcats are desperate to get one more win to avoid statistically becoming the worst team in NBA history. Scan the code for the story.

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Engine

The Skyactiv powerplant is a 2.0-litre, four-cylinder gasoline engine that features direct fuel injection. It runs on regular gas and is 10 per cent lighter than Mazda's non-Skyactiv 2.0. Output is rated at 155 horsepower and 150 pound-feet of torque, down from the Tribute's 171/171 levels.



No more smiley face grille.

Skyactiv

Most of the CX-5's mechanical bits are promoted under Mazda's "Skyactiv" theme that made its initial appearance in conjunction with the 2012 Mazda3. From a chassis and suspension perspective, the automaker says it has attempted to infuse the vehicle with as much MX-5-Miata-type sporty behaviour as possible.

Less cargo space

The CX features a curvy accent crease along the lower door edges. In back, the slant of the liftgate glass suggests a bit of hatchback has crept into the design, which could explain why there's slightly less cargo space than the Tribute had, even though the CX has a bit more stretch-out room for passengers.

2013 Mazda CX-5

- **Type.** Four-door, front/all-wheel-drive compact tall wagon.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4 (155).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 7.8/5.7 (MT, FWD).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** \$24,800.

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models, a group that includes the CX-7 (also a five-seater) and seven-passenger CX-9. But the CX-5 might just be the best looking of the bunch and has Mazda's evolving look, that will eventually spread to the entire lineup.

The CX-5's curvaceous shape is best viewed from the front, where you'll notice a neatly-shaped sloping hood and expressive (as opposed to the

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Drivers 'see the light' with HID bulbs

Driving Force. No, that person driving behind you doesn't have his high beams on — those are just super bright headlights

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If the road has seemed a little brighter these days, it's not your eyes playing tricks on you. Many automakers, especially the premium brands, use high-intensity discharge headlights, or HID, which produce a bright white light.

"The light intensity is closer to a natural light," says Hayato Mori, manager of product planning at Honda Canada. "HIDs put out light that is much more intense than a halogen headlight. They also use less electricity."

A conventional halogen headlight is an incandescent bulb. It uses a filament that heats up to create light, while the halogen gas inside the bulb increases the light's intensity and helps to lengthen the filament's lifespan.

HID headlights don't use filaments. Instead, they contain a gas, most commonly xenon, which lights up when electricity flows into a diode in the headlight. This is similar to the way a fluorescent light works, but the xenon gas lights up much faster. Even so, HID headlights still need to warm up, and if your car has them, you'll notice that it takes a few seconds before they reach their full brightness.



HID headlights on an Acura ZDX. HONDA CANADA

On many cars with HID headlights, only the low-beam lights use the xenon bulbs; the high-beam lights are halogen bulbs. Some use "bi-xenon," meaning that both the low and high beams are HID, but there aren't two bulbs. Instead, there's a single HID bulb with a shutter in front of it. When the driver has the low-beam headlights on, the shutter flips down, reducing the amount of light shining out.

"When you want high-beam, the shutter flips up," Mori says. "It's a more expensive setup, because it requires switches to flip the shutter up and down, but you achieve low and high beams with one bulb."

A third headlight type, light-

emitting diode or LED, is available on a few premium models and will be coming to Acura and possibly Honda, Mori says. Many cars already use them as taillights.

"Instead of a gas, the diodes react to electricity. They don't consume as much electricity. The lamps don't get hot, but the device that powers them does, and the difficulty is in keeping that cool. It requires fans and cooling mechanisms, and it's difficult to make, so that's why you don't see a lot of these right now. As more manufacturers use it and the technology gets better, it will bring the cost down, and you'll see it on more conventional cars in the future."

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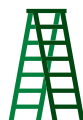


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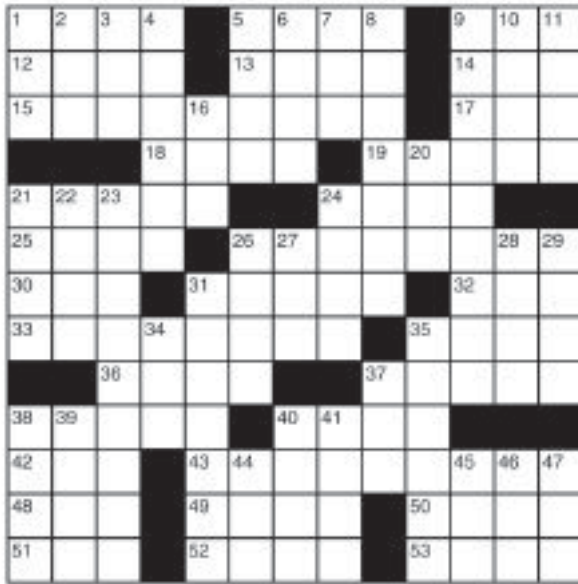
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Across

- 1 Plate
5 BLT topper
9 Spot on a domino
12 Vicinity
13 The yoke's on them
14 Equal (Prefix)
15 Theater balcony
17 Buddhist sect
18 Performances
19 Demolished
21 Chaplain
24 Rice-A- —
25 Saharan
26 Trimmed with wide ruffles
30 Emerald City VIP
31 Disgusting
32 Lawyers' org.
33 City of Galilee
35 Teensy bit
36 "Dies —"
37 Sustained hum
38 Star of Cygnus
40 Prompted
42 Have bills
43 Techno-jargon
48 More (Sp.)
49 Actor Morales
50 Littlest of the litter
51 Em halves
52 Actress Diana
53 Remain

Down

- 1 Block the flow
2 Rage
3 "— who?"
4 Sand trap, e.g.
5 Billings' st.
6 Line of symmetry
7 Longing
8 Burdensome
9 Played without a bow
10 "Gotcha"
11 Walden, for one
16 Expert
20 Massachusetts cape
21 Chess soldier
22 La Scala showstopper
23 Vertigo
24 — Hashanah
26 Gratis
27 Parcel of land
28 Black, in verse
29 Knighted woman
31 Snatched
34 Exist
35 Intense feelings
37 Morning moisture
38 Capitol cap
39 Actor McGregor
40 Despot
41 Submachine guns
44 GI entertainment org.



- 45 Trench
46 "CSI" evidence
47 Pigs' home

Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

7	2	5	6	4	6	3	1	9
9	1	8	2	7	3	6	5	4
3	6	4	9	1	5	7	8	2
4	3	1	6	8	9	2	7	5
8	5	6	4	2	7	1	9	3
2	9	7	5	3	1	4	6	8
5	7	9	3	6	2	8	4	1
6	4	3	1	5	8	9	2	7
1	8	2	7	9	4	5	3	6

Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

DN KLR ZDIC UN LWB5FTMZA
LTX T BTQR UNNASYDJC.
HUWQX LR FR MTQQRX
KLR SYDJMR UN HLTORA!
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WHEN SOMEONE
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♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.
Leave well alone today, especially on the work front where, if you make unnecessary changes, the results may not be to your liking.
♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.
Some will criticize you no matter what do, so you might as well ignore them and just get on with it.
♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.
You take it personally when people change their minds and upset your plans, but don't be so sensitive.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. Today, if someone says something unjust, or even abusive, your best move is to laugh it off.
♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.
The reason you don't get along with a certain person is not because you are so different but because you are so very much the same.
♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.
You'll go over the top and say things you don't really mean, and you'll hate yourself for it when you calm down, but it's no big deal.
♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.
Don't promise that you'll do something today unless you are certain you are in a position to deliver.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. If you cut corners or take shortcuts in any way, shape or form today, you will pay the price a little bit further down the line.
♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.
You will try to bluff your way out of an embarrassing situation today, but you won't succeed.
♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.
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♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.
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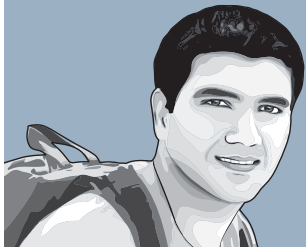
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